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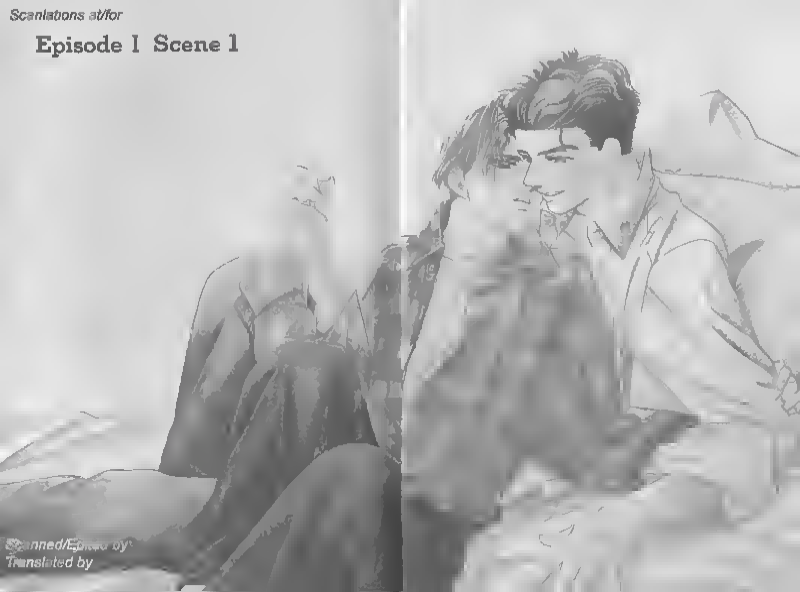
Episode 1 Scene 1



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Yesterday evening my mother from Boston called
Hey
Kain!
Have you already seen the new waitress? She's hot man!
What about having a drink together on the way back home?
Sorry, but I have another appointment tonight
My mother and I talked about all kinds of things and all the things were so casual and incoherent that I already can't remember what exactly we talked about
C'mon, give it try, she'll certainly fall for you
Maybe next time
Santa Maria hahah
slam

-Kanami
-Janga & Phoenix

Kaiin

Next time you can count on me Danny!

Hey probably a chin?

But what she said then in the end I can remember those words well

If your currently looking for one I heard Asiin women don't leave any wishes open!

Kaiin

See ya'll studs next time

I have to hurry!

If you have a girlfriend with whom you are really serious then you'll have to introduce her to us won't you?

Thanks for the advice buddy!

I'll remember it!

Oh, sorry mom.

It will be impossible—all through my life.
I drive west
this never ending make-believe as if you were hiding. It takes the heat out of me
Hardly after you leave Queen's Midtown tunnel
you are already in Manhattan
New York Queens
And what are you doing for a living?
Here, in the secret gay district around Christopher Street
I came here in order to satisfy my thirst

Well I hate actors!
Hate?
You missed! But what do you have against actors?
He must have been together with one right?
They're damn liars!
It could be that you hate the profession
I'll give you a hint

He's not exactly my type
But I sense that I'll meet somebody tonight
Why do I feel so comfortable around here ?
Hey look you seem to be liked by that guy over there
Honestly said I am not looking for a steady relationship

Holy
Jesus

I thought this must be destiny~
There he goes what a dream of a man
Oh!

I stared at him from his head to his toes
He was a little bit reserved but...
His smile and his eyes had something so gentle

Excuse me is this seat free?
had a good feeling with this thing

No no please
Or are you waiting for some one?
Thank you

BAKER

Talk?
Can't we just simply talk a little bit?
Mmm y'know
Hm?
"THIS" is not the reason I came
Besides, I don't do any one-night stands
I need somebody to talk to
Recently
I often feel very lonesome

Was that too aggressive? Cant andy i scared him!
Ok?
But we would have to cross the bridge and get out of Manhattan
If you want to then how about coming to my house for a few drinks?
Well to have a talk this is not just an appropriate place
Will you tell me then also what's your name?
I am Kaan Walker nearly 25 and you?
His eyes were full of kindness and warmth
Me Federico I am 22
While he was saying that to me with a charming smile

Chips and Coke... that is all I have at the moment
No problem!
Ah, damn
There's hardly anything here to offer him
Nope
I'm sure you're gonna say that a lot of left handed people are say right?
Yup that's correct
Ah wait a sec
I just noticed that you're left handed that's all
So you are left handed
Lime?
Yes please

Like a child
he ha ha he
A chocolate bar?
Do you want one?
Ah!
?
My first time was with a girl
We were in different classes she was the prettiest girl from high school
Oh and she had big boobs
I work in Queens
For men I drive to Manhattan
And my apartment is here in Brooklyn
Oh well, it was our first time and therefore very cramped but it wasn't bad
I have a horrible fear that at work they might find out about me being...
I tried, as much as possible, to supress the fact that I'm gay
...I always knew something wasn't right but...
Deep inside me...

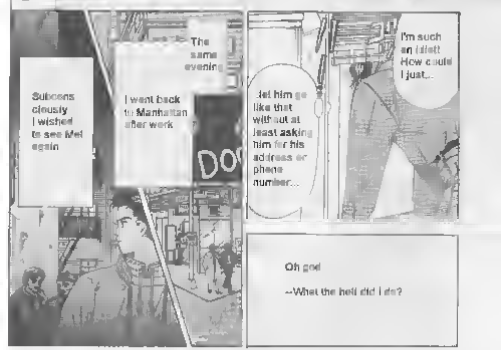
I've been single for half a year
Kain
My ex boyfriend was a left handed as well
Huh?
What about you?
Do you have a boyfriend?
Whats that? Was that a suicide attempt?
You didn't want it to be over
I knew our relationship was slowly cooling off but
You see
Yes
Is it
from the time when you had been dating?

I couldn't get over it
And one day he just went and left me behind
I tried every thing but I must have been a burden to him
Yeah
suddenly I didn't see any reason for living any longer
I thought I could cut out all the bad in my life with a single slash!
WINNER
When I woke up
I was staring at the ceiling of a hospital room. He must have been worried about me and came back once more just to find me unconscious
But after that he never visited me again
Nonsense, you have
I thought I if I had died now there would'nt be nobody left to mourn for me
I... I felt as if I had lost every thing
I was sure of that
Your parents and
While staring at this white ceiling

It seemed as if the bottle of Corona Beer shaking in Mel's hand symbolised how his happiness slowly failed
Parents?
I don't have parents
Your friends end
I do have foster parents yeah but,
we're not in contact with each other I bet they probably don't even know where I am
The bubbles in the liquid especially around the lime slice were dancing their way to the surface
I'm not very good in dealing with people
And being lonely is terrible yet being lonely and feeling lonely is something different
Huh?
Well that's New York!
New York makes many people lonely

Meybe you're right
Kain
Hn
Kain!
I gotta go to work so I better leave now
I'm closing the door behind me ok?
Mmh hm
Take care
And thanks

There he goes
Mel!!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Subconsciously I wished to see Mel again
The same evening
I went back to Manhattan after work
I'm such an idiot! How could I just...
let him go like that without at least asking him for his address or phone number...
Oh god
--What the hell did I do?

Yet soon I realized something
But it seemed all hope was in vain
If you want to we can go to my place
And many prefer a hotel
I have a weakness for blondes. When I think about it even the girl then was a blonde
But the next last night let me forget my principles
Normally I don't just take somebody home
We takin a hotel?

I really like him. At least he understands me
トン
My uncle
he lives nearby
Oh really?
トン
Me
Me!
It's Me!

Oh
shit!
Oh!!
God damn it!
Why did he
have to show
up now?
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What?
Did I
do some-
thing
wrong?
!?
I
waited
all night
just to
see him
again
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Was that guy a friend of yours?
Me!
It doesn't bother "me"
but it seemed to bother your friend huh?
Me?
Does that bother you?
Dear Kain
How long have you been waiting here?
I just wanted to give you my address. So if you wanted to
you can visit me anytime after work
It seems you're not at home. I think I'm leaving then

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Me!?
Yeah?
It's me.
Yes?
A cop?
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I'm on duty at the moment
Kain Walker
Do you want some coffee?
Can I come in?
Oh yes please!
I was totally shocked
Because of my small apartment?
Huh?
I didn't know you had a lover
I'm sorry for yester day
Thanks
Non sense!
Cuz you live in my district

Say
I don't have a lover
Oh boy! Hold it
I would really like to know why you came to my apartment yesterday
GA
Kai
Kai!!!
Shi—t!!
Why do they have to rob a store right NOW?!
GAGA!!
robbery in a convenience store in
ALL units in this

Ah
Tomo-
row

I never planned this to happen but
Kain!!
I'm not on duty tomorrow
It just had to end destiny
Where have you been? I thought you'd ed dead or something
Sorry Danny
Am I just imagining things or am I seeing an amused smile on that face of yeus?
a woman passing by
oh yea yea He's feeling better now
Is he ok? You said he was lying sick in bed with the flu
huh?
What about your buddy?
The one from the apartment

He's kind of old fashioned but nevertheless a great person
Argh! What the-?!
Hey Brian!
Clem, down! Beware of your blood pressure!
Uwahh!!
C'mon!!
We've got to hurry! Move it!
My partner Danny Howard A trusty gray guy!
Fucking Shit!!!
In a good mood today huh Kain?
Is he on drugs?
Danny? What's up with your partner?
Dunno
Who the hell is supposed to be able to work with these outdated computers? We're not even able to control our radio communication system correctly!!
The RCS is overloaded! Emergency calls can't come through!
You're off today and tomorrow? Lucky bastard
My Jewish colleague Goah Steineman I don't like him
Uh oh well
Hm?
This Heroin case is getting too stressing
Damn
And his name says kinda rough guy
This is my boss Police Sergeant Brian Berg A fine guy as well

More se than the drug case I'm
worried whether Mel will come to my place or not
Thanks enjoy your holidays
Oh this South American drug trafficing case? Wish u luck guys!
God I have to make a confession
My heart is racing
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ドクン
I can't take it anymore
ドクン
ヒロ
And having a lover may cause trouble at times...
Kain
カチャ
As I said before, I hadn't planned on all this to happen...

When you've found yourself a girl to settle down with
My parents
my friends
any one
Right now...

pant
pant
I really don't care about what they might think...

and from the emotional one
From the physical aspect
he
This turned out to be the most satisfying experience I've ever had
ahh...

And each day I learn more and more about him...

We've become really happy with each other...
After this it wasn't hard to guess how our relationship would go on...

I was surprised when I heard that he grew up near Harlem. That fact obviously didn't have any bad side-effects on him.
He was born in New York.
his favorite shower gel
His favorite shampoo and conditioner
I knew the brand of tooth paste he uses.
For example, he's a waiter at a coffee shop.
uh
Danny is checking out the waitress.
Wow Kain! Look!
He has the sweetest smile.
Since Mel's apartment is just a few blocks away from work I'm usually the one paying visits. Of course I try not to let me be seen by anyone. I knew
Lately
Oh my god! I am so in love with him!
How cute!!
So are you really are into this kind stuff?
I flipped through the pages
There was a romance novel in Mel's bed room

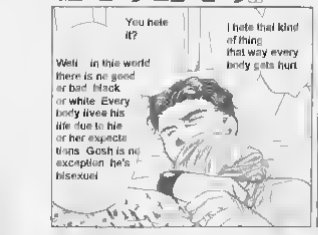
I believe his neighbors complained to him
He didn't say anything concrete but

Mel also often visits me

and he insulted me badly
Damned faggots!
The other day I met his neighbor in town

but I'm worried about him because of these homophobics
Mel laughed at that
Don't mind him. He's jealous
can't stand listening to our love making
While we made love they often would bang against the wall
he probably has to do it himself
Aren't there any other gay cops besides you?

He's Jewish. At first I thought he was just an arrogant dumbass... until I once saw him in a gay bar.
Stone-man?
Oh... yea. There's Gosh Stoneman.
I mean in your district...?
Hm?
I've never liked this guy but since that event I find him a bit more sympathetic.
He probably was as shocked as I was then but, we never talked about it. We've got something like a mutual agreement I guess.
Are you crazy? That would just lead to embarrassing situations. Plus, he's not my type at all and he even has a bad taste when it comes to partner choices.
Further more he's got a wife and child.
Did you sleep with him?


You hate it?
I hate that kind of thing that way every body gets hurt
Well... in this world there is no good or bad. Black or white. Every body lives his life due to his or her expectations. Gosh is no exception, he's bisexuel

Wife and child?
what's wrong?

Happy Birthday to Kain ♡
Jake, Danny and Geek?

Winter in New York is always harsh
There are many homeless who don't survive the biting cold
Soon it will be my 25th birthday

Wait!
Shit! It's my colleagues
Wait
Wait
Wait!!
Uwahh!!
Can we come in?
Don't worry
I I I'm sorry
what's wrong?
I guess I'll be heading home then
Oh ok
Oh here's your present
Happy Birth-day!
CHU!

Yeah Take care
See ya
Oh uh
huh?
Whe was thet?
Forgive me Mel
Ne no It's ok
And why he could've stayed
An old friend of mine

Mel's present
felt heavy in my pocket
Ah
what's going on here but he kinda doesn't care
Looks like Gosh can guess
Normally he's not the guy you expect to join this kind of thing
Damnit! Now that's new
Today
both of us are off and we planned to meet downtown
sleeping next to you
kissing you
feeling your warmth that gives me peace
That means I can't say thanks or apologize
And Mel doesn't even have a telephone at home
I'm already so used to having you around

What are you reading, Mel? Looking at some pretty boys?
No, you baka!
I love the color of this jacket! It would fit Kain perfectly!
But that was a big mistake!
Uwahh!!
What a bunch of books!
Oh... thanks a lot!
Mel? Is that you?

You're doing fine it seems
All these books just like them
Yes
He probably didn't because of me
But
These friendly eyes fixed on Mel seemed to want to say a lot
Well That's my only joy in life

He's a university professor
That guy was really old
What?
Kinda old huh?
He's not 'him'
Yes we used to date but
You guys were dating right? Did you cut your veins for
? Kaint
And you slept with him? I probably would've died! That's disgusting!
There's been a very very short in time in my life and he's the one who helped me out.
There-fore
Kain!! That was in the past!
Do you still love him?

He probably wanted to save his image!
Your wrong! He chose them over me!
You should've seen his eyes earlier
He seemed to feel more love towards you than his kids
He even is married and has children
LA
I love him.
but on a totally different basis
What do you want to indicate with all of this? Why are you so angry all of a sudden?
And even so what am I supposed to do in your opinion??
You
you are everything to me right now Kairi!

prove it to me! Let me fist you!
I said
If I'm the only one then
What!?
Thats
one of the rough sex practices that I hate
Ok then
Fine
If it makes you happy
If you don't want to then
No it's ok

I... I think I can do it. I have some experience.
You shut up!! I'm going to kick your feminist ass!!
Shut up damned fags!!!
Mother Fucker!!
I bet you've already done things I can't even imagine!
So that's how it is huh?! You let people you like do everything to you!!!
I see. So you don't do one night stands? You only sleep with the person you love? Bullshit! You just pretend to be a naive shy one. But in reality you're dirtier than me!
Kain

Son of a Bitch!!
Shit!!
I...
I knew what's wrong with me
Now I've noticed my own duplicity
I'm an ass...
LAKER
DOGS

LAK
Before...
I could look for a sex partner whenever I wanted to...the good ol' times
It's the jealousy at Mel's ex-lovers that drives me insane
I only want one thing Not to lose Mel!
But today...
ER

Another lover right?
It's really pretty
That that's a crane
What's that? A bird?
Ah
I learned it from a Japanese
Are you feeling better now?
Sir?
sex with a complete stranger
I just had
Listen

I...
I'll tell you how many relationships I've had. Zair...!
But I've slept with too many men to keep track of.
You have to tell me, Mel.
Kain...
Does it really matter?
...how many guys have you been with before me?
Mel... I want to know
Today was the first time since
So how many has it been?
The amount of condoms I've used in my life is huge
Are you surprised?
If the guy was good-looking I was never hesitant
No
And what about the time since we've been together?

Kain
What about the one you cut your veins for? Do you loved him the most?
And...
It never lasted longer than 2 years. And the shortest was about 2 weeks.
Including you...it's been 5 men.
KAIN!!
He probably satisfies you more than I ever did, huh??
?!

Mel...
It's just I'm so jealous of your ex lovers. That's just how I am. I won't ask you these kind of questions again. ok? Forgive me
Please understand
You don't have to answer me
I've been such a jerk

Kain!!
I've never loved anyone as much as I love you
I don't want to loose you
It's my damn jealousy
That's why I beg you
trust me!
ah
That I know it
I could never lie to you
Kain

Can you believe it?
We're moving in with each other just after two months...
It seems it really was destiny
It was meant to happen
Mei.
If you've found a girl to settle down with...
Then introduce us to her...
Let us live together
It seems
I've reached a turning point in my life...

Episode 1 Scene 2

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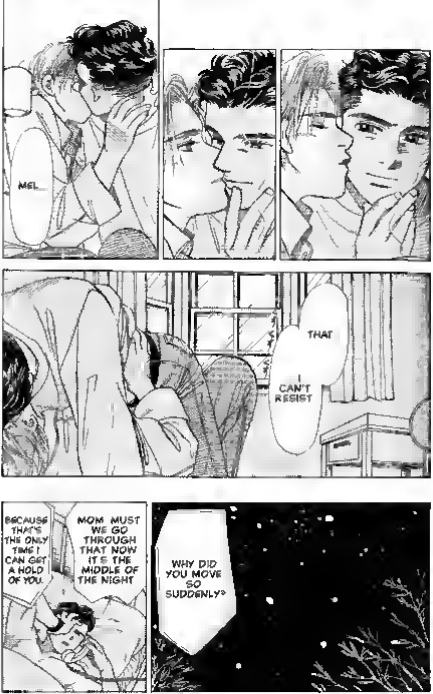
WE HAVE RENTED A LITTLE HOUSE IN NASSAU JUST OUTSIDE OF NEW YORK
I, RAIN WALKER (25) AND MEL FREDERICKS (22) HAVE DECIDED TO LIVE TOGETHER FROM NOW ON

WE WENT A LITTLE OVER OUR BUDGET WITH THE THINGS WE NEEDED FOR THE HOUSE
DOESN'T MATTER. WE HAVE OUR OWN HOME NOW
IT—
THERE'S A FEW PLATES BROKEN
MEL...
WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT WHAT MEL AND I EARN

"HOME SWEET HOME
NOT IN THE WAY OF JUST A HOUSE WITHOUT ANY MEANING, BUT AS IN "OUR HOUSE"
LIKE IT THAT WE HAVE NICE LOOKING PLATES AT OUR NEW HOME

HERE, YOUR FIRST CUP OF COFFEE IN YOUR NEW HOME.
YES ?
KAIN..
KAIN
YES ?
YEAH YOU'RE RIGHT.. TOMORROW I HAVE TO WORK AGAIN TOO
BUT WE HAVEN'T EVEN FINISHED YET
WE CAN PUT EVERYTHING IN PLACE ONE AT A TIME.


MEL
THAT
I CAN'T RESIST
BECAUSE THAT'S THE ONLY TIME I CAN GET A HOLD OF YOU.
MOM MUST WE GO THROUGH THAT NOW IT'S THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT
WHY DID YOU MOVE SO SUDDENLY?

OH SO, BY THE WAY
HM?
ISN'T THE RENT TOO HIGH FOR YOU THEN?
WHAT DO YOU SAY? A HOUSE?
THAT'S WHY I WENT TO A SUBURB
NO MOM,
MHM
IS THAT NEW APARTMENT OF YOURS CLOSER TO WORK THAN THE OLD ONE?
I'VE ASKED YOU A LOT OF TIMES TO CALL ME BACK
IT'S NOT AN APARTMENT
THAT'S BECAUSE I'M A POLICEMAN. STOP IT ALREADY!
I ALSO NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU GET HOME FROM WORK
CLICK
YOU WEREN'T THERE, BUT THERE WAS ALWAYS THIS MAN AROUND IS HE A FRIEND OF YOURS?
EVERYTIME I TRIED CALLED YOU
I ASKED HIM WHAT HIS NAME WAS
TALKED? YEAH FOR A LITTLE WHILE
DID YOU GUYS TALK?
AHAA
ARE YOU STILL THERE KAIN?
KAIN?

WHERE DID YOU MEET HIM? YOU'VE NEVER MENTIONED THE NAME MEL BEFORE
FOR ME ALONE THE RENT IS TOO HIGH TO PAY
YES HE TOLD ME THAT
DO DO YOU KNOW THAT HE'S MY ROOMMATE?

AND YOU KNOW I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT MOVING OUT BEFORE BECAUSE THE TYPE NEXT DOOR WAS YOUR AVERAGE JUNKIES
THEY PROBABLY WANTED SOME SUN AND ORANGES
SHE LEFT TO CALIFORNIA WITH ANOTHER GUY
CALIFORNIA?
REALLY? WELL I'VE ONLY KNOWN HIM FOR A SHORT TIME
ACTUALLY MEL WAS ALREADY RENTED THIS HOUSE WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND BUT

JUST WOKEN UP
OH YOU'RE AWAKE?
WHEN DID MY GIRLFRIEND LEAVE FOR CALIFORNIA?
CLICK
MEL COULDN'T AFFORD THE RENT ON A LONG TERM SO THAT'S HOW I BECAME HIS "ROOMMATE"

BUT IN THE END NOTHING HAS CHANGED FOR ME
THE WHOLE LIVING TOGETHER WITH MEL SHOULD'VE BEEN A TURNING POINT IN MY LIFE
WELL...
SORRY
I'M.
WHAT?
HAVE YOU EVER TALKED ABOUT "IT"?
SURE
CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING?
GOSH!
I'M HIDING MY HOMOSEXUALITY AS ALWAYS
AGAINST OUR RULES
HM?
THAT IS
WITH "IT" YOUR SAYING IF I'M GAY? IF I HAD A "COMING OUT"?

DON'T LET ME DOWN MAN I REALLY HAVE A PROBLEM I DON'T KNOW ANYMORE WHO I AM' HOW TO ACT ANYMORE'
WELL NOT AN ENEMY
BUT
YOU AREN'T A FRIEND EITHER
WAIT A SEC' YOU TALK LIKE I'M YOUR ENEMY'
I DON'T KNOW WHY WE SHOULD CHANGE THAT SO SUDDENLY
WE HAVE UP TILL NOW ALWAYS KEPT IT TO OURSELVES THAT WE'RE GAY
WHO WAS IT...?
I HAD MY COMING OUT FOR ONLY ONE PERSON
TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTION ...
IT LOOKS LIKE IT

SHE TOOK A DEEP BREATH...
MY WIFE...
"OH GOD. IT CAN'T BE TRUE! THIS HAS TO BE SOME KIND OF A NIGHTMARE!"
...AND THEN SCREAMED...

I THOUGHT AT FIRST WHAT KIND OF STUPID ACT HAVE I DONE NOW
IF I DIDN'T SAY ANY-TH NG, THEN IT ALL WOULD'VE BEEN A LIE.
BUT I WANTED HER TO KNOW THE REAL ME
DO YOU REGRET IT?
CAN YOU IMAG-INE IT?
THEN SHE BROKE DOWN IN TEARS...
AND I CRIED TOO

I CAN ONLY TELL YOU THIS MUCH.
WHEN YOU'RE HAVING YOUR COMING OUT IF IT'S IN FRONT OF YOUR FRIENDS OR YOUR PARTNER.
YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE SOMETHING.
IF NOT
DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
I HAVE CHOSEN TO BE WITH MY WIFE AND CHILD
BECAUSE I HAVE DECIDED TO BE THEIR PARTNER
YOU HAVE CHOSEN THAT BLOND GUY TO BE YOUR PARTNER
BUT WHO IS IT FOR WHOM YOU WANT TO BE THERE IN THE FUTURE?
I CAN'T HELP YOU ANSWER THAT QUESTION THERE'S NO RIGHT OR WRONG TO CHOOSE
YOU GOTTA ASK SOMEONE WITH A WHOLE LOT MORE EXPERIENCE THAN ME
GOSH.

SHHH...
C'M ON. SAY SOMETHING!? DID I SAY SOMETHING WRONG SOME TIME- DID I HURT YOU OR..?
HOW SHOULD I BE!?
WHAT IS IT? YOU'VE TALKED TO GOSH!?
AHHH...
BUT...
BYE!
WAHAHAHA
HEY KAIN!
OH...
WHO IS IT FOR WHOM I WANT TO BE THERE IN THE FUTURE?
DON'T YOU EVER TALK TO MY MOTHER AGAIN!!
I DON'T KNOW FOR ME..? FOR MYSELF..?

BUT I HAVEN'T..
FROM NOW ON
YOU'RE MY ROOMMATE!
I TOLD MY MOM
AND HOW
YOU JUST CAN'T START TALKING TO HER
DO YOU THINK THIS WILL WORK IF THE PHONE RINGS AND YOU'RE NOT HOME? I HAVE TO PICK UP THE PHONE, DON'T I?
AND THEN YOU HANG UP. OKY
YOU SAY "I'M SORRY BUT YOUR SON IS NOT HOME"

HAHAHA!
WELL, I'LL SEND HER SOME FLOWERS ON VALENTINE'S DAY
MY GRANNY WAS REALLY DISAPPOINTED THAT I DIDN'T COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS.

I WANT EVERYTHING TO REMAIN LIKE IT IS NOW.

WITHOUT ANYBODY NOTICING MEL AND MY RELATIONSHIP

OF COURSE!
THERE IS SOME ONE I LIKE BUT I GUESS IT'S JUST ME WHO'S IN LOVE AND BESIDES THAT SOMEONE ALREADY HAS A PARTNER. WHAT DO YOU THINK SHOULD I STILL GO FOR IT?
OWWW, BIG SHOT! OF ALL PEOPLE, YOU'RE ASKING A SINGLE!
WHAT ABOUT YOUR SWEETHEART ARE YOU GONNA SEND HER SOME FLOWERS AS WELL?
GO FOR IT!
BE STRONG!
OK!
ARE YOU GONNA GIVE UP OR WHAT? GO FOR IT I SAY!
BUT I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANY CHANCES WITH...
EE SHOP.
AND MY PAR-ENTS
I DON'T WANT
TO LOSE MY FRIENDS

UNDER-STAND?
I DON'T WANT TO DISAP-POINT MY PARENTS!
ME AND MEL WE'RE FIGHTING EVERY NOW AND THEN
BUT IT'S ALWAYS ME WHO'S BITCHING ABOUT SOME-THING
THERE HE IS...
MEL!
PEOPLE LOOK DOWN ON GAY PEOPLE!
WHY DISAPPOINT? YOU'RE ASHAMED TO BE GAY!!
DISAP-POINT?

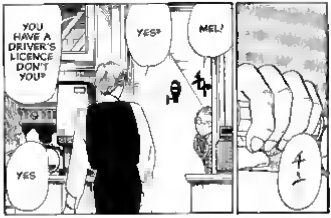
...KAIN!
YOU GOTTA UNDERSTAND ME! I JUST CAN'T INTRODUCE YOU TO MY PARENTS!
THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANT ANYWAY
IS ACCEPTING REALITY REALLY THAT HARD?!
YOU'RE GAY?! GAY?!
THAT'S SOMETHING YOU GOTTA IGNORE"
WHY CAN'T YOU ACCEPT THAT?!
PLEASE
MEL OF COURSE YOU CAN PICK UP THE PHONE BUT DON'T SAY MORE THAN ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY
IT'S YOUR ATTITUDE
WHY WORRY?
I'M WORRYING ABOUT YOU
MEL!
BECAUSE YOU COULD TALK TOO MUCH ONE DAY WHILE TALKING TO MY MOTHER!
WHY?
YOU'RE EVEN SCARED OF ME PICKING UP THE PHONE
MY PARENTS ARE NOT STUPID! I REALLY MEAN IT!
I'M PRETENDING TO BE YOUR FRIEND AND IT'S JUST SMALL-TALK THAT'S OK RIGHT?

KAIN
OON'T!
OON'T GO NOW!
I BEG YOU!
ピポポポ
NOT WHILE WE'RE FIGHTING LIKE THIS
!!"ク
KAIN!

UH.
YOU DON'T HAVE PARENTS ANYMORE YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND THAT
MEL

THE BAD THING ABOUT IT WAS THAT I HURT MEL EVEN MORE WITH NOT SAYING ANYTHING AT ALL
IN THIS MOMENT I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY ANYMORE
DO YOU WANT TO DENY MY EXISTENCE?
BUT, BUT
WHY AM I SO BAD AT THOSE THINGS?!
I ONLY KNOW THAT WAY TO LIVE
BUT MEL'S LOVE IS SO GREAT...
...THAT HE ALWAYS FORGIVES ME

DAR LING?
DON'T CHEAT ON ME OK?
HEY HONEY!
EVEN IF IT'S A REALLY CUTE GUY DON'T LET HIM MAKE THE MOVES ON YOU!
THE SNOW IN THE STREETS WAS MELTING
A CALM WINTER'S DAY
IT WAS
OFFEE SHOP JOY
TOMORROW? THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN DO THAT!
IN THE AFTER-NOON THE WEATHER WAS REALLY BAD THOUGH
ALRIGHT I'LL FETCH IT MYSELF


YOU HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENCE DON'T YOU?
YES
YES?
MEL?

I ALREADY SENT THEM THE MONEY YOU JUST GOT TO GET THE STUFF
COULD YOU FETCH THAT DELIVERY OF COFFEE BEANS FOR ME?
THAT SHOP IS SO UN-RELIABLE

WHAT A FITY
SNOWING AND RAINING AND IT'S BEEN SO NICE OUTSIDE EARLIER
OUT-SIDE DUTY ON A DAY LIKE THAT IS REALLY BAD.

IT'S SNOWING AND RAINING AT THE SAME TIME AND REALLY BAD TOO!
IS IT RAINING OUTSIDE OR WHAT?
SHEESH I TELL YOU

HELLO. I'M FROM THE CAFE "JOY"
I'LL BE RIGHT BACK
OK
GEORGE! CAN YOU GET ME THAT ORDER OF BEANS?
YEP
I'M SORRY BUT THE DELIVERY GUY IS ASIAN AND HIS ENGLISH IS REALLY BAD
IT'S OK
HM?
TERRIBLE REALLY!
ALL THESE DRUG CASES

THE METHODS THEY ARE USED TO GET THE STUFF TO AMERICA ARE GETTING MORE TRICKY FROM YEAR TO YEAR
ESPECIALLY HEROINE FROM SOUTH AFRICA SEEMS TO BE "IN"
THE RISING NUMBER OF DRUG CRIMES
THE OPPOSITE RATHER! NOW REALLY?
WHAT'S UP? NOTHING TO DO NOW THAT YOUR PARTNER'S ON VACATION?
What's up Mary?
I NEVER WOULD'VE THOUGHT THAT MEL COULD BE INVOLVED IN THAT
OK
YOU'RE AT THE WRONG PLACE AT THE WRONG TIME
AND NOW BE GOOD AND PUT YOUR HANDS BEHIND YOUR HEAD!
RIGHT BROTHER?

OH MY GOD
YOU'RE ALL ABANDONED BY GOD, YOU PATHETIC SHEEP
HAHA WHAT DO YOU SAY!
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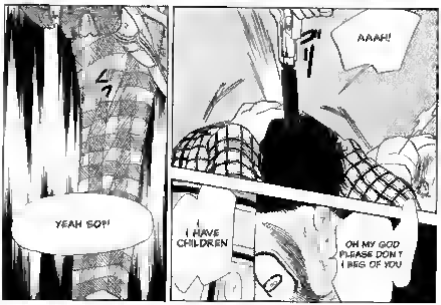
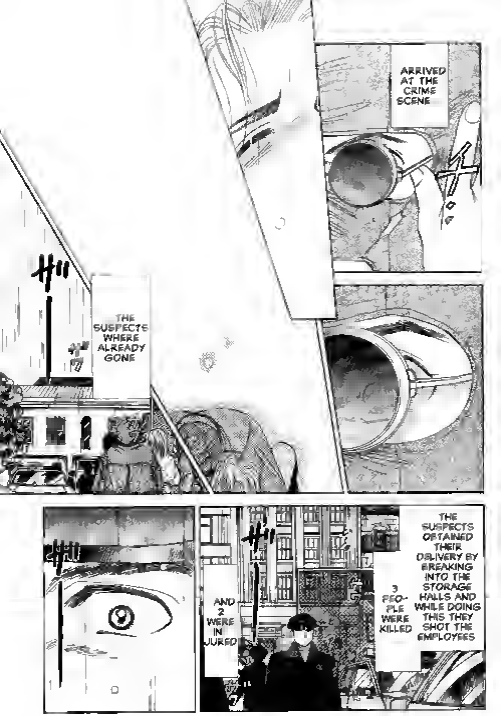

YEAH SO?!
I HAVE CHILDREN
AAAH!
OH MY GOD PLEASE DON'T HURT OF YOU

OOH...
DO YOU WANT TO SCREAM? IF YOU DO I WILL KILL YOU!
SHUT UP!
MHH!
AAAH!
MY GOD!
HNH
OH NO! WHAT HAVE I GOTTEN MYSELF INTO!

ANY LAST WORDS?
WHAT WAS THAT COW-ARD?
ARE YOU PISSING IN YOUR PANTS NOW?
HEY!
SLUR
AAH!
CHU
I HAVE IT!
HEY!

AAARGH!
EH?
HEY HOLD ON!
SHIT!!
YOU REALLY ARE INSANE? JUST HURRY UP OR DO YOU THINK I WOULD LIKE TO BE CAUGHT?!
HAA
HAA
SHUT UP!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS!
YOU WANT TO TAKE HIM INFRONT OF MY EYES IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS?!
DON'T ANNOY ME AND GET LOST!
DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING AGAINST GAY PEOPLE? DO YOU WANT ME TO BLOW YOUR BRAINS OUT?!

NOT A SOUND!!
AND HOLD STI...!
チ
HAA
HAA
AAH!
WHEN THE PO-LICE
ACH
IT DOESN'T SEEM TO STOP
SHIT!
KAIN!


ARRIVED AT THE CRIME SCENE
THE SUSPECTS WHERE ALREADY GONE
THE SUSPECTS OBTAINED THEIR DELIVERY BY BREAKING INTO THE STORAGE HALLS AND WHILE DOING THIS THEY SHOT THE EMPLOYEES
3 PEOPLE WERE KILLED
AND 2 WERE INJURED

ME
AH DAMMIT KAIN!!
MEL ?!
THAT... THAT IS A FRIEND OF MINE
WHO JUST GOT TAKEN AWAY...
HM?
B-BRIAN?!
CAN'T YOU KEEP THE PEOPLE AWAY FROM THE SITE?!

I WANT TO ESCORT THEM
N-NO HE'S IN THE AMBULANCE
WAS HE ONE OF THE PEOPLE WHO GOT KILLED?
ON THE ONE WHO GOT RAPED
LET IT BE HE'S LUCKY TO BE ALIVE
GOSH
NO YOU CAN NOT
IF...
YOU CAN'T LET YOUR EMOTIONS CONTROL YOU
YOU DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR RELATIONSHIP THEN
AH
FOCUS ON YOUR JOB!
KAIN!!
WHA-?!
BRIAN

MEL!!
WHEN I

CAME HOME THE FOLLOWING DAY IT WAS ALREADY IN THE AFTERNOON
WHAM

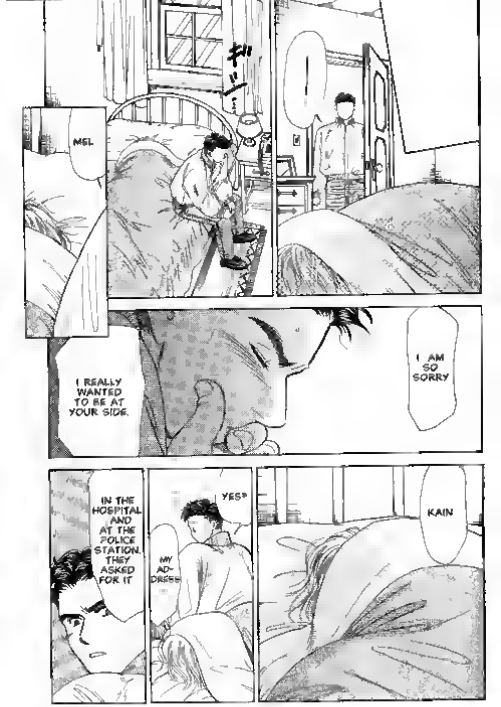
MEL!!
MEL!
TAP

HIS EYES

BEGGED ME TO COME OVER

GODAMNIT!!!

AND I COULDN'T DO A THING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I REALLY WANTED TO BE AT YOUR SIDE.
I AM SO SORRY
IN THE HOSPITAL AND AT THE POLICE STATION, THEY ASKED FOR IT
YES*
MY ADDRESS
KAIN

MEL...
MEL
THAT'S WHAT I SAID DO YOU UNDER-STAND?
"I'M LIVING AT A FRIEND'S HOME AT THE MO MENT"
I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY
I HAD TO GIVE THEM SOME THING
IT'S ALRIGHT
IT WILL BE OKAY
WHEN I SEE THAT MEL EVEN IN THESE HARSH CIRCUM STANCES STILL
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT

...REALLY AN INSENSIBLE CHEF?
...AM I...
IT HURTS DEEP INSIDE MY SOUL
DANNY...
...STILL THOUGHT ABOUT ME...
YES SIR?
BUT THAT WASN'T THE ONLY PROBLEM
WAS I...
DID SOMETHING HAPPEN WHEN I WAS AWAY?
BRIAN SEEMED SOMEHOW DEPRESSED
WHAM!
AND THEY FOUND OUT...
...I'M SORRY...
THEY TOOK A SAMPLE OF THE SPERM OF THE SUSPECT AND ANALYSED IT
MEL?
MEL DIDN'T WANT TO HAVE ANY PHYSICAL CONTACT

DO YOU WANT ME TO MAKE ANY-THING FOR YOU?
SOR-RY
AIDS. HE HAD AIDS
NO.
I CAN DO IT MYSELF
YEAH?
KAIN
I WAS SCARED
SO SCARED

ON ME WHILE THE GUN WAS POINTED AT MY HEAD
WHILE HE DID THAT TO ME I SAW HOW THE BLOOD OF THE MAN WHO HE'D BLOWN APART DRIPPED
ME.
I THOUGHT FOR SURE I WAS GOING TO DIE
AND WHEN HE LOOKED AT ME...
HE COLDLY SMIRKED
THE WHOLE TIME
HM
BUT I WAS WRONG
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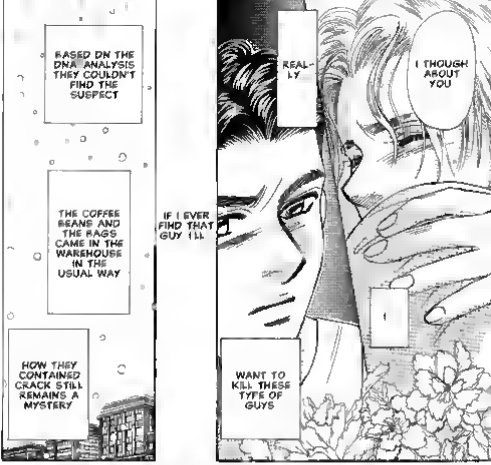
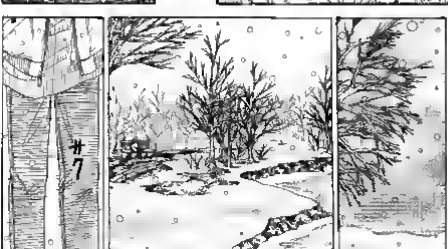
FOR A MOMENT I THOUGHT I COULD SEE HIS EYES THRU HIS SUNGLASSES
NO I DIDN'T
DID YOU SEE HIS FACE?


BASED ON THE DNA ANALYSIS THEY COULDN'T FIND THE SUSPECT
THE COFFEE BEANS AND THE BAGS CAME IN THE WAREHOUSE IN THE USUAL WAY
HOW THEY CONTAINED CRACK STILL REMAINS A MYSTERY
IF I EVER FIND THAT GUY I'LL
REAL-LY
WANT TO KILL THESE TYPE OF GUYS
I THOUGH ABOUT YOU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NEL!
IT'S GETTING COLD LET'S RETURN HOME
OK
I WONDER IF YOU CAN WALK ON IT YET?
IT'S A SHAME THAT THE POND IS FROZEN
I I WAS STILL A LITTLE BOY
IT ALWAYS REMINDED ME OF THE DAY I BECAME ALONE
BE SCARED EVERY TIME I SAW A FROZEN POND
HM? I USED TO

BUT THE FACT THAT SHE HAD ME DIDN'T HELP MAMA A LOT TOO.
I...DIDN'T LIKE IT...
EVERY TIME I HAD A DIFFERENT FATHER
GODAMNIT! I WISH YOU WERE NEVER BORN!
MAMA
WAS A PROSTITUTE THE MEN CAME AND WENT A LOT IN OUR HOUSE
SHE WANTED A MAN, THAT WOULD PROTECT HER
I NEVER HAD SO MUCH...
...FUN
ON MY 5TH BIRTHDAY MY MAMA TOOK ME TO CENTAL PARK
BECAUSE OF YOU THEY TOOK OFF!!
MEL!
MEL
WHEN I WANTED POPCORN SHE BOUGHT IT FOR ME
SHE WAS SO KIND TO ME WHEN I WENT RIDDING THE CARROUSEL SHE STOOD THERE WAVING AT ME THE WHOLE TIME

SHE USUALLY WAS STRESSED AND UPTIGHT
BUT NOW SHE SEEMED VERY RELAXED
AND WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT...
WITH THE MONEY FROM THAT RING SHE BOUGHT ME ALL THOSE THINGS
THAT SHE DIDN'T HAVE HER RING ON HER FINGER.
AND SHE SAID "COME ON" AND WE WENT TO BUY THOSE THINGS
I ALSO NOTICED
ALSO WANTED A HOTDOG AND SOMETHING TO DRINK
I LOVE YOU MEL
I WAITED THERE.
OKAY
MEL...
YOUR MAMA HAS TO DO SOME THINGS NOW WAIT HERE LIKE A GOOD BOY OKAY?
WHY DIDN'T I NOTICE IT BEFORE
MAMA DOESN'T HAVE ANYMORE MONEY
THEY FOUND A BODY IN THE LAKE
A FEW HOURS LATER...
NEVER FORGET THAT

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE ALL ALONE?
HEY LITTLE ONE...
WITHOUT KNOWING IT I WAITED FOR HER TO RETURN THE ENTIRE TIME
SHE WENT ON THE THIN ICE
OBVIOUSLY IT WAS SUICIDE
"
NOBODY IN THIS WORLD
KAIN I HAVE
WHEN I'M DEAD NOBODY WILL MOURN FOR ME.
MEL...
SHE NEVER RETURNED
BUT
I'M WAITING FOR MY MAMA
YOUR MAMA? WHERE'S YOUR MAMA THEN?
MEL!!
LISTEN TO ME! OKAY?
THAT'S WHY WHEN ONLY ONE PERSON MEANS SOMETHING TO ME THEN
MEL!
GET SO SCARED OF LOSING THEM

EVERY-THING'S ALRIGHT
I'M NOT GOING TO DISAPPEAR LIKE YOUR MOM AND YOUR PAST FRIENDS DID!!
I'M NOT GOING TO DISAPPEAR FROM YOUR LIFE LIKE THAT!
I WANT TO BE WITH YOU!

FROM NOW ON AGAIN
WE CAN...
THE RESULTS ARE NEGATIVE THAT'S WHY
I'M WORRIED ABOUT ME!
THE RESULTS OF YOUR EXAMI-NATION CAME IN
THE
HM?

WHAT ARE YOU SAY-ING?
IT NOW BE-COMES CLEAR TO ME
MY FEAR TO ADMIT THAT I'M GAY.
THAT'S WHAT MEL FEARS
I CAN SEE THAT MEL IS WISHING FOR SOMETHING

THERE'S NO MORE MILK
EVER SINCE THE ACCIDENT I CAN'T SEEM TO SHAKE ONE THING OFF
THEN I'LL DRINK IT WITHOUT
KAIN!
THAT'S ACTUALLY
WHAT I'M SAYING
WHY DOES INFORMATION ALWAYS LEAK WHEN WE EVEN DOUBLE THE SECURITY AROUND IT?
WHY IS IT THAT RAIDS ALWAYS TURN UP EMPTY?
I'M ASKING YOU WHY?
YOUR NOT SAYING THAT SOME ONE ON THE INSIDE IS SELLING THE INFORMATION?

GA GA GA
!?
OR WILL THEY LEAVE IT AT THIS?
IT'S NOT LIKE THESE TYPES TO LEAVE IT AT THIS. THEY ARE SURE TO COME AFTER MEL AND THAT OTHER WOMAN
FOR A MOMENT I THOUGHT I COULD SEE THRU HIS SUNGLASSES AND LOOK AT HIS EYES
THANKS HERE
WE HAVE A HOMICIDE
AARGH, SHIT!
LET'S GO KAIN!
KAIN?!
TO ALL UNITS IN THE AREA.
IN AN APARTMENT AT 49TH STREET THERE'S A WOMAN SHOT
THE NAME OF THE VICTIM IS JISABELLE RASSETT
THE SUSPECT IS ON THE RUN
JISABELLE RASSETT?
ISH T THAT
THE NAME OF THAT WOMAN THAT WAS ALSO WITH MEL?

PICK UP ME!?
I'M BEGGING YOU
Fucking shi—t!!

WHAT? THE WOMAN WHO WAS SHOT IS JISABELLE BASSETT?!
THE WINDS ARE STRONG TONIGHT
EH!?
JAMES! YOU'RE ON THE STREETS WITH KAIN TODAY, RIGHT? WHERE IS HE?
THAT'S THE WOMAN WHO GOT RAPED LAST WEEK IN THE STORAGE HALLS!
"IDIOT"
DO YOU KNOW HER?
WHAT A MESS!
WHAT?!
I WANTED TO STOP HIM I ALSO ASKED WHAT WAS WRONG
HE WAS IN A HURRY
WELL... ERR HE SAID...
THAT HE HAD TO GO HOME

MEL..
HOPEFULLY YOU'RE ALRIGHT!!
WHAT DOES HE THINK HE CAN DO!?
THAT COMPLETE IDIOT!
MEL!!
DID YOU SLEEP WELL, DEAR?
IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN!
WHERE?
MMMH.

THAT'S THE GUY FROM ?!
WHA ?
I REALLY WANT TO TAKE YOU AGAIN BUT THERE'S NO TIME FOR THAT NOW
AGAIN ? WHAT THE HELL
THAT WAS REAL HOT BACK IN THE STORAGE HALLS!
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GOOD MORNING!
WHAT?
YOU KNOW, I TRULY HATE YOU
I'M KAIN'S PARTNER DANIEL HOWARD
MMH.
WE'VE MEET BRIEFLY
ISN'T THAT
LET ME INTRODUCE MYSELF
KAIN'S
WHEN I LOOK AT YOU I REALLY BECOME MAD!
THAT PRETTY FACE OF YOURS, BLOND HAIR AND BLUE EYES...
I'M NOT GOING TO KILL YOU IMMEDIATELY, I'M GOING TO TAKE MY TIME
A LONG TIME.

!!
!!
AND THEN ONE..
FIRST ONE STAB IN THE SIDE..
..IN THE SHOULDER..
CHEST
NECK
KAIN..
IF YOU WANT..
MEL..
KAIN..
AND YOU?"
"I'M KAIN WALKER 25 YEARS
..THEN HOW ABOUT COMING OVER FOR A FEW DRINKS?"
MEL..

KAIN!!
IT'S PITCH BLACK HERE.
IT'S OPEN.
CREAK
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
THUMP
ME...

MEL?!
WHAM
ドゴ
COUGH

!!
DA...
DANNY ...?!
YOU?! BUT...
THERE HAS TO BE SOME KIND OF MISTAKE ...?!
YOU CAN'T POSSIBLE BE THE SUSPECT ...

DANNY
WAAAAH!
KAIN
WHY DID YOU COME HERE ALONE?
IF YOU DIDN'T COME EVERYTHING WOULD HAVE BEEN AS IT WAS BEFORE
COUGH
DA-DANNY
HAAA HAAA

STOP IT YOU'RE ONLY MAKING IT LOOK WORSE FOR YOU
FOR THAT
IT'S ALREADY TOO LATE I HAVE TOO MUCH BLOOD ON MY HANDS
HA HA
HA HA
WHY
OA-NNY
GOOOBYE KAIN

KAAAINNN!!
AARRGH!
AAH!
DANNYY!!!

GOOD THING WE CAME AT THE RIGHT TIME KAIN!!
I'M SORRY IT HAS TO BE A SHOCK I MEAN HE WAS YOUR PARTNER YOUR BUDDY
ME
MEL
SHOWED ME FINALLY
COME ON!
MEL
THAT THIS WHOLE THING
HEY
MEL PLEASE OPEN YOUR EYES!
IN-SANE
MEL
FINALLY
HOW IMPORTANT MEL IS TO ME

WHY I DIDN'T EVEN TELL HIM ONCE
"WHEN I'M DEAD NOBODY WILL MOURN FOR ME"
"KAIH I HAVE NOBODY IN THIS WORLD.
AHEM
MEL
MEL
...HOW MUCH I NEED HIM

LET ME THROUGH
HOW ARE THINGS?
MY DEAR GOD
IT WAS DANNY?
!!
BRIAN
GOD-AMMIT WHAT THE HELL
HEY..
WE HAVE TO BRING THEM TO THE HOSPITAL
YOU HAVE TO LET GO WE HAVE TO HURRY

LET GO!
LET GO OFF HIM! WE HAVE TO TAKE HIM TO THE HOSPITAL!
KAIN
KAIN
KAIN? WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!
YOU CAN'T LET HIM DIE
PLEASE
HE HE'S EVERYTHING TO ME..!!

"ARE YOU GOING TO DENY HOW MUCH YOU LOVE ME ?"
I LOVE YOU SO MUCH
NOOOO !!!
NOOO !!!
KAIN
NOOO !!!!
KAIN!!
YOU CAN'T LET HIM DIE!!

"KA-IN..."
"...I HAVE NOBODY IN THIS WORLD."
"THAT'S WHY..."
I LOVE YOU!
WHEN ONLY ONE PERSON MEANS SO MUCH TO ME THEN
"...I GET SO SCARED OF LOSING THEM."

HOW IS
YOUR SHOULDER DOING, KAIN?

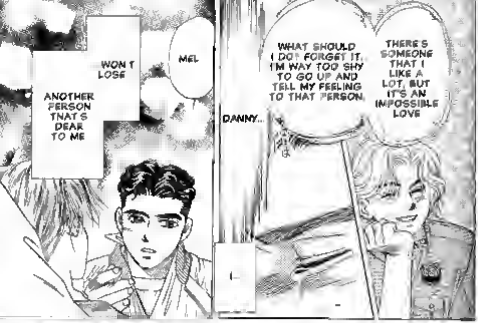
ERIAN
MEL FREDERICKS AND I ARE A COUPLE
I WAS VERY EMOTIONAL THE LAST TIME
GOOD TO HEAR THAT
IT'S RECOVERING QUICKLY
NO PROBLEM
I DON'T WANT TO HIDE IT FROM YOU
WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS...
HM?
ERIAN
HE PROBABLY NOTICED THE KIND OF RELATIONSHIP I HAVE WITH MEL BY NOW
THEY DON'T NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THIS
THE OTHERS
IN THE HEAT IT MAKES SENCE BUT WITH FEELINGS
OH AND ANOTHER THING, KAIN
HEY DON'T YOU WANT TO GO TO THE HOSPITAL? WELL WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR- GO!
KNOW THAT ALREADY

WELL...
...I'LL REPORT BACK IN A WEEK
THANK YOU...
...BRIAN
...I'M ONE OF THE VETERANS...
YOU GOTTA EXCUSE THIS MAN...
BUT I CAN TELL YOU I LIKE YOU, KAIN
NO-THING...
WELL, YOU'RE STILL ALIVE?
"TIK" "TIK"
THE ONLY THING THAT CHANGED IS I DON'T HAVE MY OLD PARTNER DANNY ANYMORE
NOTHING HAS CHANGED I STILL HAVE THE SAME JOB.

HIS SMILE
IM SO GRATEFUL I DIDN'T LOOSE HIM
MEL IS
GETTING BETTER AND BETTER.
YOU KETCHA I'M STILL ALIVE!
KAIN.
WHAT DID YOU THINK YOU WERE DOING? WHAT IF PEOPLE FIND IT OUT?
A VERY UNDERSTANDABLE NURSE.
:CLICK:
THIS IS A HOSPITAL SO KEEP IT DOWN!
SMACK
MMH
AS SWEET AS ALWAYS
WHAT AM I SMILING ABOUT?
HAHAHA
HEARD FROM GOSH THE MOST UNBELIEVABLE THING
HM*
KA-KAIN!

HOW COULD THIS BE. I ALWAYS THOUGHT THAT DANNY
AND I DON'T MEAN ON FRIENSHIP TERMS NE REALLY LOVED YOU"
LOVED YOU..
DANIEL
"KAIN. I THINK IT'S BETTER FOR YOU TO KNOW THIS
WELL
DANIEL HOWARD NICE TO MEET YOU!
KAIN?
IT MAY NAVE LOOKED TNAT DANIEL PRESENTED NIMSELF AS A HETERO. BUT YOU MUST HAVE SUSPECTED IT SOMEHOW.
DIDN'T YOU NOTICE ANYTNING? DANIEL WAS ALSO GAY. HE FEARED TNAT IF YOU KNEW IT YOU WOULDN'T LIKE HIM AND NE WOULD LOOSE YOU AS A FRIEND
I'M YOUR NEW PARTNER?

ACH...
HEY KAIN.
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
KAIN?
NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY HE CRIED
DID HE FEAR THAT I WOULD HATE HIM FOR IT?
KAIN
WE EXPERIENCED LOTS OF THINGS TOGETHER
BUT THAT IS IN THE PAST HOW I'LL NEVER SEE HIM AGAIN
KAIN
AM I REALLY THAT KIND OF MAN THAT'S WORTH SO MUCH...?


WON'T LOSE
ANOTHER PERSON THAT'S DEAR TO ME
MEL
WHAT SHOULD I DO? FORGET IT. I'M WAY TOO SHY TO GO UP AND TELL MY FEELING TO THAT PERSON.
THERE'S SOMEONE THAT I LIKE A LOT, BUT IT'S AN IMPOSSIBLE LOVE
DANNY...

...YOUR WIFE AND CHILD?"
"DO YOU LOVE...
WHAT...?

"WHAT KIND OF A IDIOTIC QUESTION IS THAT! OF COURSE I LOVE THEM!
"JUST ANSWER GOSH..."

"OF COURSE I LOVE THEM"
MY PARENTS
I WANT TO..
INTRODUCE YOU TO MY PARENTS
KAN
WHAT IS THE MATTER
YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO IT BECAUSE OF ME
BUT I WANT TO
I'M DOING IT
PLEASE
ALSO FOR ME.
SAY YES!
MEL

THAT WAS HIS ANSWER

BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
IT'S ME.
HELLO?
MOM?
THERE'S SOMEBODY I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO
YES
AND THE COLD WIN TER
AND IN RETURN CAME THE SPRING
CAME TO AN END

NASSAU COUNTY, NEW YORK
GREAT NECK
oh lord have mery mery mery
follow me
I need a shy guy he's the kinda uwy
Who'll only be mine
But I don't want somebody who's loving everybody

Hi!! morning
Good-morning
ユッサ
ユッサ

Shy Guy
Shy Guy
Shy Guy

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UMF
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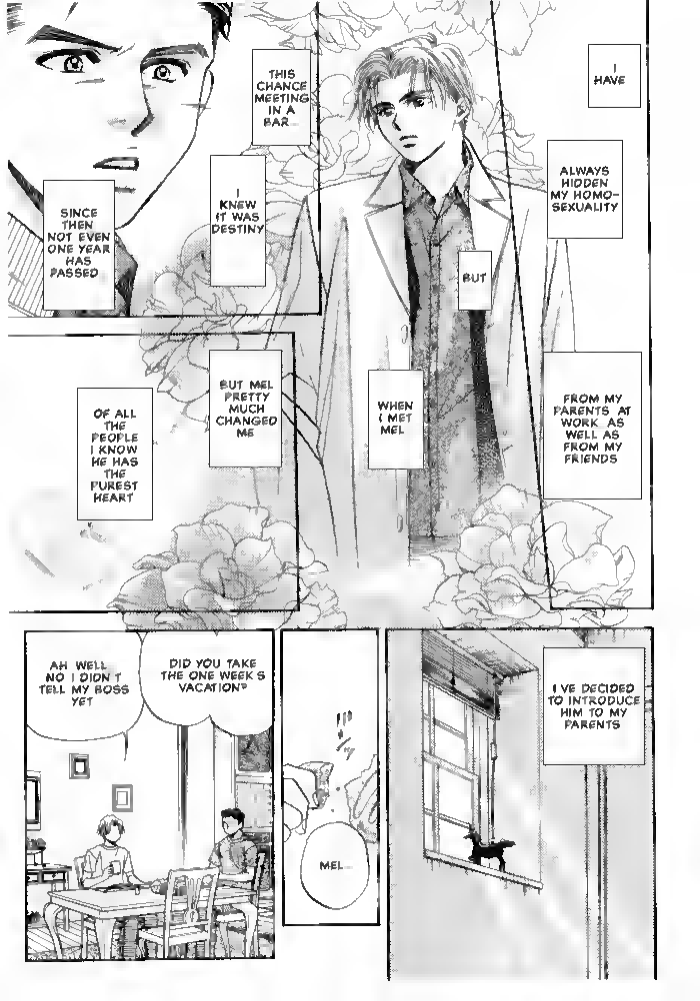
WAKE UP
GOOD MORNING
HM
HEY BABY
I GUESS ABOUT 3 MILES MORE OR LESS
OH YOU ARE JUST BATHED IN SWEAT
MORNIN WELL HOW FAR DID YOU RUN TODAY?
....

KAIN
KAIN WALKER 25 AND
MY BELOVED MEL FREDERICS 23 HAVE ALREADY LIVED
WHILE YOU'RE TAKING A SHOWER
I'LL PREPARE BREAK-FAST
UMARRIED TOGETHER FOR MORE THAN HALF A YEAR NOW
OUR LIFE IS REALLY VERY PLEASANT
WHICH IS SURELY THANKS TO MEL'S MEEK NATURE
BY THE WAY
MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE THOUGH I WISH FOR A GOOD MORNING KISS
YES
FRIED?
CAN YOU COOK 2 EGGS FOR ME?

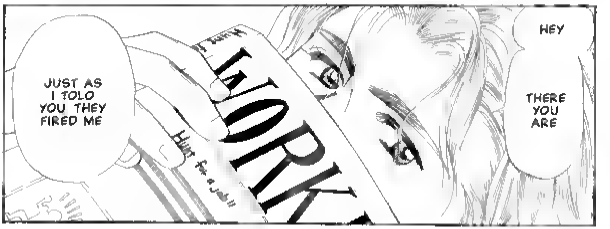

I HAVE
ALWAYS HIDDEN MY HOMO-SEXUALITY
BUT
FROM MY PARENTS AT WORK AS WELL AS FROM MY FRIENDS
THIS CHANCE MEETING IN A BAR
I KNEW IT WAS DESTINY
SINCE THEN NOT EVEN ONE YEAR HAS PASSED
WHEN I MET MEL
BUT MEL PRETTY MUCH CHANGED ME
OF ALL THE PEOPLE I KNOW HE HAS THE PUREST HEART
I'VE DECIDED TO INTRODUCE HIM TO MY PARENTS
MEL...
DID YOU TAKE THE ONE WEEK'S VACATION?
AH WELL NO I DIDN'T TELL MY BOSS YET

I KNOW BUT ONE WEEK'S VACATION ALL AT ONCE...
THAT'S JUST PROBLEM-ATIC
WHY NOT? YOU KNOW THAT WE'LL GO TO MY PARENTS STARTING ON THE 10TH!
I ALREADY APPLIED FOR VACATION LONG AGO
!
THAT'S THE WAY ONLY PEOPLE LIKE YOU WHO HAVE A STEADY JOB CAN THINK.
WHAT? THEY'D GET RID OF YOU THAT EASY? THEN YOU'D DO BETTER TO JUST QUIT!
AS A WAITER YOU BASICALLY JUST LIVE ON TIPS ANYWAY
WHY?
BECAUSE THEN SOMEBODY ELSE COULD TAKE MY PLACE...
IT'LL TURN OUT ALL RIGHT.
WELL NOTHING
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?

AND GOSH?
THE TENSION
HAS TO BE QUITE BIG RIGHT?
WHAT ARE YOU DRIVELING ABOUT?
DRIVEL? I JUST WANTED ADVICE BECAUSE OF MEL
WANT A PEPSI?
MEL? OH MEL IS TENSE?
WHY?
Thanks

WELL THAT YOU PARENTS AREN'T REALLY FILLED WITH ENTHUSIASM, IS CLEAR PROBABLY THEY ARE EXCITED AND ALSO A BIT FEARFUL
GREAT AND SINCE I'VE COME OUT THAT MY "GIRLFRIEND" IS A MAN
WELL THAT COULD BECOME QUITE AN INTERESTING MEETING
THERE WEREN'T ANY CALLS FROM MY MOTHER WHO OTHERWISE PHONED ME CONTINUALLY
THEY LIVE NEAR BOSTON IN NEWTON
ON THE 10TH WE'RE GOING TO VISIT MY PARENTS
IN NEWTON WHERE I GREW UP THERE ARE QUITE A LOT OF JEWS...
GOSH...
WELL YOU CAN'T ASSUME HE THINKS THE SAME WAY AS YOU
BUT YOU ARE REALLY UNBEATABLE WITH YOUR CYNICISM
I PREPARE MY CONSCIENCE TAKE AN EXTRA VACATION, BUT HE HASN'T ASKED ABOUT IT AT ALL YET
YOU THINK I FEEL DIFFERENT?!
SORRY
I'LL REMEMBER IT
JUST WANTED TO DO A LITTLE JOKE
THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME BEING A JEW OK?!
STOP ALWAYS SLAMMING ME FROM THE SIDE!
HEY!

AT OUR PRECINCT IS GOSH STONEMAN THE ONLY OTHER GAY MAN THE THING IS THAT HE HAS A WIFE AND CHILDREN AND IS BISEXUAL AFTER ALL AT LEAST I THINK SO
HMPH WHO S MEAN TO WHOM NOW?
JOKE? SPARE ME
AT THE INCIDENT FOUR MONTHS AGO I LOST MY PARTNER DANNY
AND SINCE I VE OFTEN BEEN ON PATROL TOGETHER WITH GOSH
A COLD?
IT S NOT AS BAD AS THAT WHEN THE TEMPERATURE FLUCTUATES SUDDENLY I ALWAYS GET THAT IN MASSACHUSETTS IT S PLENTY COOL FOR SURE!
YOU THINK SO? TODAY IT S RATHER HOT THOUGH
BUT STILL BETTER THAN NEW YORK?
THESE VERY DIRECT CONVERSATIONS WERE SURELY QUITE INTENSE
BUT ON THE OTHER HAND IT WAS ALSO CLEAR THAT HE WAS SOMEONE I COULD TALK WITH CASUALLY
NOT NECESSARILY NEW YORK, BUT MANHATTAN, ISN'T IT?
RIGHT. THE GUYS IN CENTRAL PARK AND THE MOUNTED COLLEAGUES HAVE THE HARDEST TIME. IN SUMMER MANHATTAN IS REALLY A MELTING POT.
HAHA THAT S TRUE


HEY
THERE YOU ARE
JUST AS I TOLD YOU THEY FIRED ME

FOR NOW WE CAN GET ALONG ON MY SALARY
FORGET IT THERE S THE PAYMENTS FOR THE CAR
IS IT REALLY NECESSARY TO LOOK FOR A NEW JOB SO SOON?
WHAT WILL YOU DO IF YOU STILL FIND A NEW JOB NOW?
JUST LET IT GO UNTIL WE COME BACK FROM NEWTON
WHAT DATE IS TODAY?
I ALSO NEED SOME PHOTOS DON T I?

YOU EVEN WORKED WHEN THAT TERRIBLE INCIDENT OCCURED DID HE EVER THINK ABOUT THAT?
YOUR BOSS WAS QUITE A BAS-TARD
I'M AWARE OF THAT THEREFORE I'M LOOKING FOR A JOB THAT DOESN'T START UNTIL JULY
WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT AT AN ACTUAL COMPANY?
NOT QUITE A GOOD WAY THESE SLAVE DRIVERS!
NO CHA-NCE
SO THIS WAS A GOOD OPPURTINITY TO FIRE ME NOW
WELL YES BUT IT WAS PROB-ABLY HARD FOR HIM THAT HE HAD TO SEE ME EVERYDAY
BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA
YOU'RE RIGHT BUT THAT'S NOT POSS-IBLE
HMM BUT THINK ABOUT IT A STEADY OFFICE JOB?
YOUR FUTURE WOULD BE SECURE THEN
WHY NOT?

WELL I ALREADY TOLD YOU ONCE ABOUT MY FOSTER PARENTS
YES
NO HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA??
I DIDN'T KNOW AT ALL
DID YOU QUIT?
BEFORE I WAS 17 I LEFT HOME
AND THAT'S WHY I DON'T HAVE A DIPLOMA
DID YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WITH YOUR FOSTER PARENTS?
OR WITH FRIENDS OR
THOUGH MY FOSTER MOTHER WAS MY AUNT IT WAS HARD FOR ME TO FIND A GOOD BALANCE AND LIVE THERE

IT'S OBV-IOUS
HOW LITTLE I KNOW ABOUT MEL'S PAST
I JUST COULON'T BE A GOOO SON
THAT'S ALL
THERE JUST HASN'T BEEN AN OPPURTUNITY YET TO OO SO
LOOKING AT THAT, I OON'T TALK ABOUT MYSELF MUCH EITHER
I WOULO LIKE TO TELL MEL ABOUT MY CHILOHOOO
WE'RE AT MY PARENTS' WHERE I WAS RAISED.
BUT WHEN

MR FREDERICS
ガラ
AT THIS COMP-ANY
WE NEED PEOPLE WHO HAVE HAD EXPER-IENCE
PEOPLE WITH
EXPER-IENCE
IT'S THE SAME EVERY-WHERE
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THOSE STAR MODELS ARE REALLY MOODY AREN'T THEY.
HOWEVER, CYNTHIA HASN'T BEEN HERE YET.
THE EMPLOYEES SAID THEY ARE TAKING MORE PHOTOS TOMORROW.
THIS MORNING THERE WAS A PHOTO SHOOT.
UNFORTUNATELY I DIDN'T GET TO SEE IT
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SURELY SHE DOESN'T LEAVE THE HOUSE BECAUSE
SHE GAINED AN EXTRA POUND HAHA
THE TRUE REASON WHY CYNTHIA DIDN'T SHOW UP FOR THE SHOOTING IS CERTAINLY THAT...
SHE TOTALLY RUINED HER MAKE UP THIS MORNING.
WHAT THOSE GOSSIPY WOMEN ARE SAYING
IS JUST SIMPLY NOT RIGHT

THE REAL STARS ARE SIMPLY THE FEMALE MODELS. IT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD
WHATEVER IT MAY HAVE BEEN, US MALE MODELS WOULD NEVER HAD GOTTEN AWAY WITH SUCH BEHAVIOR
DON'T YOU THINK SO
ME!?
SINCE OUR PARTING 1 YEAR AND HOW MANY MONTHS?
WELL IN ANY CASE A LONG LONG TIME AGO
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JOSHUA?
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THAT'S RIGHT
I'M HERE
MY WOUND
HURTS AGAIN...
MEL
JOSHUA I'M SORRY BUT I'VE GOT TO GO NOW
WHY SO COLD AREN'T YOU HAPPY TO SEE ME?
MY HEAD...
IS SPINNING

BUT I AM RELIEVED TO SEE THAT YOU ARE WELL AGAIN
I'M SORRY THAT I NEVER VISITED YOU IN THE HOSPITAL
I DIDN'T FORGET ABOUT YOU BELIEVE ME
IN ALL SERIOU-SNESS
#!?
IT TOOK A DAMN LONG TIME UNTIL THE MENTAL WOUNDS WOULD HEAL
JOSH ALL RIGHT BUT IF WE HAVE TO TALK PLEASE NOT ABOUT THE OLD DAYS
TO BE HONEST IT STILL HURTS WHEN I LOOK AT YOU
MEL

YOU'RE QUITE THE SAME OO YOU STILL STICK TO YOUR PRINCIPLES OF MONOGAMY AND FIDELITY?
SO WHAT?
JOSH! I'M IN A HAPPY RELATION-SHIP NOW!!
THAT S JUST THE WAY I AM!!
AND BY THE WAY THEY ARE NOT PRINCIPLES I AM STICK-ING TO
"
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY BEING UNFAITHFUL? I JUST THINK SEX IS DIFFERENT THAN LOVE THESE VIEWS WERE ALSO THE REASON FOR US PARTING
YOU RE THE SAME TOO! IT SEEMS YOUR STILL PERMANENTLY UNFAITHFUL!
WITH PEOPLE LIKE YOU YOU REALLY LOSE FAITH THAT THERE CAN BE SUCH A THING AS ETERNAL LOVE BETWEEN MEN

WHEN I SLIT MY WRISTS
.....
BUT I SURVIVED, THANK GOODNESS
AND THAT WAS JOSH
THERE EXISTED JUST ONE PERSON IN MY WORLD
OTHER-WISE I COULD HAVE NEVER OF MET KAIN

J·B
J·B
WANTED
A waiter
& waitress
night
OPEN
HMMM THEY'RE LOOKING FOR A WAITER AND A BARTENDER
KAIN" I GOT A JOB AT A COFFEE SHOP IN THE NEIGH-BORHOOD!
WHAT A STROKE OF LUCK!
I'VE GOT TO GO NOW

I HAVE TO GO NOW BUT PLEASE WALK ME TO THE DOOR
THAT'S GREAT!
I LOST MY RESUME THOUGH BUT THE INTERVIEW WAS ENOUGH
THAT WILL BE ALL RIGHT!
WHAT ABOUT VACATION?
THEY NEED ME FROM NOW ON AND I EVEN HELPED OUT TODAY AND AT NIGHTIME I'LL WORK AT THE BAR
FINE GUY? WHAT DO YOU MEAN? NICE? COOL? FUNNY?
THE BOSS THERE IS A REALLY FINE GUY
COOL AND FUNNY!
HE ALSO NEEDS ME TWO TIMES A WEEK AT NIGHT THUS HE'S TEACHING ME HOW TO MAKE COCKTAILS
ANYTHING ELSE?
I'M ON NIGHT DUTY FOR 1 WEEK
AND IN THE DAYTIME I'LL GO SHOPPING PLEASE WRITE DOWN WHAT YOU NEED
WHAT?
HIS NAME IS J.B. AND HE PERFECTLY UNDERSTANDS OUR SITUATION
AND YOU KNOW WHAT?

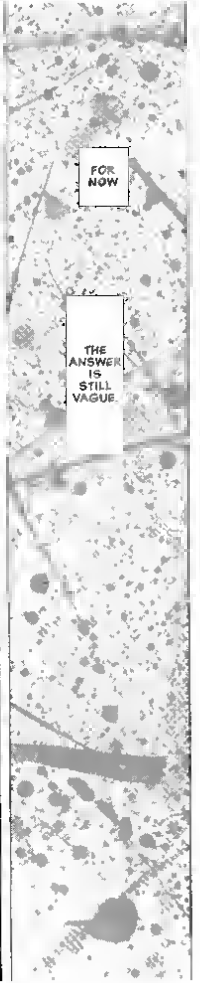
IT'S LIKE THIS YOU SEE, J.B. IS GAY TOO
HE IS ESPECIALLY POPULAR WITH THE GAY CUSTOMERS
IT'S A REALLY GOOD ATMOSPHERE
YOU CAN'T WORK THERE AT NIGHT
WHY NOT?
WHY NOT? DO YOU REALLY ASK ME THAT? THAT GUY WILL CERTAINLY COME ONTO YOU!!
IF YOU AS ME IT WOULD BE BEST FOR YOU TO NOT EVEN WORK THERE AT ALL!
OH KAIN THERE WON'T BE ANY PROBLEMS AT ALL

WHAT CAN I SAY
Shi t !!
THERE ARE WHOLE HORDES OF GAYS OUT THERE AND YOU SAY "FOR SURE"?!
FOR SURE? FOR SURE?! IT'S NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF THAT JB?
IF NOT ON YOU WHAT ELSE SHOULD I DEFEND ON WHEN WE MEET YOUR PARENTS?
AND WITH THAT ATTITUDE WE SHALL SEE YOUR PARENTS?
JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN'T COPE WITH SEEING GAY DOESN'T MEAN YOU SHOULD PROJECT SELF-HATRED AGAINST OTHER GAYS
I DON'T KNOW YET
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THAT?
TENSION?
OR FEAR?
IS THAT...

AND I KNOW THE CRAVING THAT STEERS MEN WHEN THEY ARE LOOKING FOR A PARTNER
THE DISDAIN OF GAYS ON ONE HAND IS BECAUSE
I WANT MEL ALL TO MYSELF
THAT I AM LIKE THIS AT THE MOMENT

BUT MEL SIMPLY CAN'T UNDERSTAND THAT
IS ALL BECAUSE OF THE
IT'S BE-CAUSE OF
DISDAIN I FEEL FOR MYSELF

HE IS JUST SOME-BODY WHO EXPRES-SES TRUE LOVE
AND HIS ABSO-LUTE FIDELIT
HIS PHIL ANTH ROPINISM
HIS PURE HEART ....


FOR NOW
THE ANSWER IS STILL VAGUE

KAIN
THE WHOLE THING IS NOT A JOKE? YOUR REALLY COMING WITH THAT ..ERM..
DO YOU REMEMBER THAT WE ARE COMING IN 1 WEEK?
MAN YES! EXACTLY!
MOM?
liz me
HM..
DID DAD SAY ANY-THING?
DAD USUALLY NEVER COMPLAINS ABOUT ANYTHING
MOM?
MOM..
PLEASE DON'T CRY.
I LOVE YOU.
PLEASE TELL DAD I LOVE HIM TOO.
GOOD LORD LEND ME COURAGE.

I NEED QUITE A LOT OF IT
THE CORNY NOVEL
DID MEL THROW IT AWAY TODAY?
THIS NOVEL
WHICH I'VE ALWAYS SEEN IN MEL'S APARTMENT. I ALWAYS HAD A STRANGE FEELING
Yes?

ER ....
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TROUBLE
EXCUSE ME FOR INTERUPTING
THIS BELONGS TO MR FREDERICS
BUT THERE'S A RESUME IN IT SO I KNEW WHERE I COULD HAND IT OVER
Hi!!
ACTUALLY YES
WOULD YOU GO NOW PLEASE
WELL
AM I BOTHERING YOU?
Nice to meet you!!
MY NAME IS JOSHUA BONSON
BUT EVERYONE CALLS ME JOSH
OK OK?
I JUST WANTED TO MEET MELS NEW FRIEND JUST ONCE

WHO
!
Hey Guy
ARE YOU?
ONCE TOGETHER WITH ME!
MAY I ASK FOR YOUR NAME?
OH I WAS
WHISTLE

I DON'T WANT HIM BACK AS MY LOVER
SURE BUT DON'T WORRY
ARE YOU STILL INTERESTED IN ME?
MAY I ASK YOU SOMETHING?
THIS LOOKS TO ME LIKE REAL MARRIED LIFE
WOW?
ME? YES I GAVE IT TO HIM AS A GIFT ONCE
IT BELONGS
THAT WAS QUITE SOMETHING
AT THAT TIME I SHOWED MYSELF TOPLESS TO AN AUDIENCE OF ENTHUSIASTIC FANS OF SUCH NOVELS
IT'S RARE THAT THERE IS A BLOND ONE
THE HERO'S IN THESE STORIES ARE MOSTLY DARK-HAIRED
GEEZ!
I MET YOU TODAY FOR THE FIRST TIME BUT IT SEEMS LIKE YOU ALREADY KNOW ME
ON THE COVER OF THIS CORNY NOVEL THAT'S ME
DIDN'T YOU NOTICE?

SO NICE AND TALL
BUT YOU YOURSELF ARE A FINE SPECIMEN
YOU KNOW FOR EXAMPLE IN GREENWICH THERE IS THAT GIGANTIC T-SHIRT ADVERTISEMENT THAT FOR EXAMPLE IS ME TOO
OH I SEE SO YOU ARE ONE OF THOSE SUPER BEAUTIES
YES IT'S MY JOB
YOU ARE A MODEL?
HE IS SOMEONE WHO GIVES ALL FOR THE ONES HE LOVES AND THEN HE DID THAT STUPID THING
YES
YOU ARE RIGHT
COMMIT SUICIDE RIGHT?
YOU'RE THE FRIEND FOR WHOM MEL TRIED TO
I THOUGHT MELS NEW FRIEND WOULD BE SOMEONE WHO LIVES MONOGAMOUSLY
BUT IT SEEMS I AM MISTAKEN
WELL THERE WAS A CERTAIN TENSION CONCERNING MELS FORMER FRIEND
now out
AT THE MOMENT I'M RATHER INTERESTED IN YOU KAIN
I SEE, YOU ALREADY KNOW HIM PRETTY WELL. HOWEVER

AS FAR AS I HEARD SUPER MODELS MAKE QUITE A LOT
A STAR MODEL LIKE YOU CERTAINLY HAS MADE IT HAVEN'T YOU?
ESPECIALLY THE WAITING PERIODS BETWEEN SETS TOMORROW WILL SURELY BE BORING AS WELL
THE PHOTO-SHOOTING ALWAYS DRAGS ON SO MUCH
BUT
THERE WAS ALSO SOMETHING ABOUT HIM THAT ATTRACTED ME
NOT REALLY MALE MODELS USUALLY EARN LESS THAN FEMALE ONES WOMEN GET THOUSANDS MORE
BESIDES I'M NO SUPER MODEL
BUT IF I COULD GIVE YOU SOME ADVICE
I'M HONORED
HAD A HUGE QUARREL LAST YEAR BECAUSE I WAS JEALOUS OF YOU ALTHOUGH I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW YOU
MEL AND I

THERE IS ONE THING
WHICH YOU SHOULD BITE BACK IF YOUR IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE AND THAT IS TO TALK ABOUT FORMER PARTNERS
THE DEEPER AND STRONGER A LOVE IS THE LESS IMPORTANT IT IS IN THE END ANYWAY
HMM
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT
SFX: CLOSE DOOR
JOSH?
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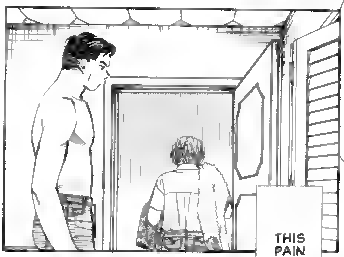
キィッ

MY GOD!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!!

AND DON'T EVEN THINK OF TOUCHING ME!!
FROM TODAY ON I SLEEP IN THE OTHER ROOM.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
HOW SHOULD I CALM DOWN PLEASE?
OR DO YOU WANT TO DENY IT?
DIDN'T YOU JUST SLEEP WITH JOSH?
CALM DOWN?!
WAIT! CALM DOWN!!
IN THIS ROOM IN THIS BED
WHERE WE ASSURED EACHOTHER OF OUR LOVE SO OFTEN?
NO!



THIS PAIN INSIDE MY HEART

ALL AT ONCE HIS WORDS FLASHED THROUGH MY MIND

"YOU YOU ARE EVERYTHING TO ME RIGHT NOW KAIN!"

"I VE NEVER LOVED ANYONE AS MUCH AS YOU"

"DO YOU WANT TO DENY MY EXISTENCE?"

"IF NOT UPON YOU WHAT ELSE SHOULD I DEPEND ON WHEN I MEET YOUR PARENTS?"

I VE NEVER BEEN BETRAYED LIKE THIS BEFORE

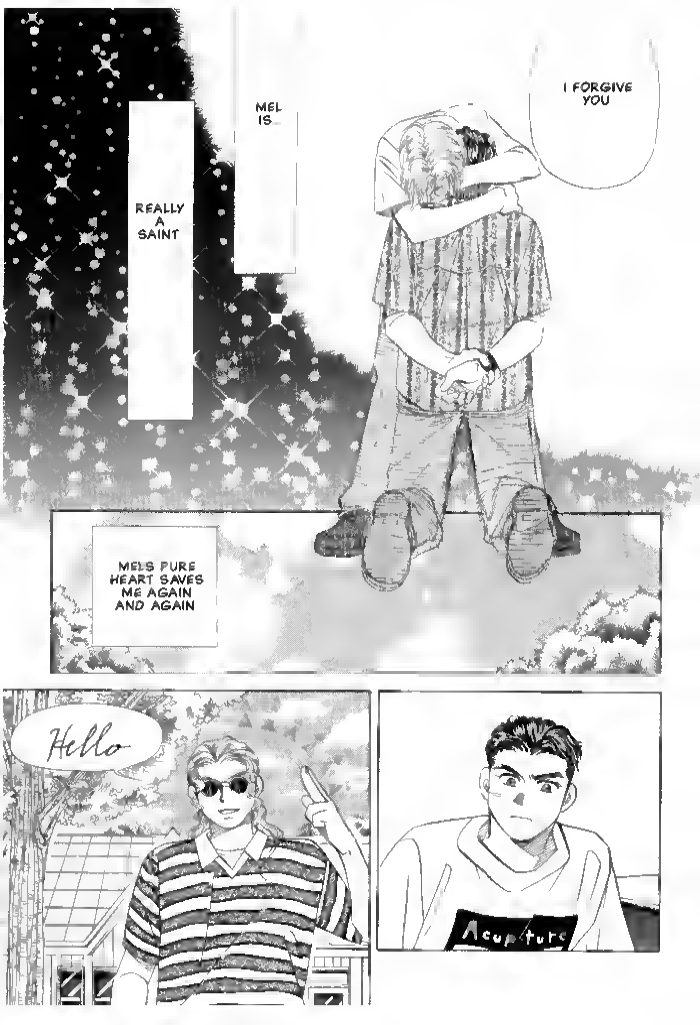
AND YOU THROW THAT AWAY AND HAVE SEX WITH SOMEONE ELSE?!

BEFORE I GO I'D LIKE TO HAVE A QUICK WORD WITH YOU
MEL IT'S TIME FOR ME TO GO TO WORK SOON. BUT
MEL
"I'VE NEVER BEEN BETRAYED LIKE THIS BEFORE"
MEL?
PLEASE LET'S TALK!
キィ!
FOR WHAT I'VE DONE BUT I SWEAR I'LL NEVER DO IT AGAIN
I KNOW THERE'S NO EXCUSE
WHAT?
PLEASE FORGIVE ME!

IT S CLEAR TO ME THAT I SCREWED IT UP
I JUST DON T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO NOW
I LL DO ANY-THING PLEASE TELL ME WHAT I SHOULD DO SO THAT YOU WILL FORGIVE ME
IT S NO WONDER THAT YOU ARE ANGRY
AND THAT IT WAS YOUR EX-BOYFRIEND OF ALL PEOPLE DOESN T IMPROVE THE SITUATION AT ALL
KAIN
THAT IT WAS
MY EX-BOYFRIEND IS NOT WHAT MATTERS HERE
YOU SLEPT WITH A PERSON OTHER THAN ME
THAT NOVEL
HMMP
YOU KEPT IT ALL THIS TIME?
THAT S IT
THE FACT THAT YOU SLEPT WITH SOMEONE ELSE
YOU HAVEN T FORGOTTEN HIM YET

YOU SAID YOU WOULD DO ANY-THING
IF I FORGAVE YOU?
YEAH
IF POSS-IBLE
AS I HAPPENED TO MEET JOSH TWO DAYS AGO
I HAD EVEN FORGOT-TEN THAT IT WAS THERE
I WANTED TO BRING AN END TO IT AND THREW IT AWAY
WELL
I COULDN'T JUST THROW IT AWAY
AND THEN I GOT USED TO HAVING IT AROUND
AND TELL ME JUST THE TRUTH
GOOD
NOW PLACE YOUR HANDS BEHIND YOUR BACK AND CLOSE YOUR EYES
!!
GET DOWN ON YOUR KNEES

WITHOUT LOOKING AWAY
LOOK STRAIGHT AT ME
THEN OPEN YOUR EYES
SLOWLY
Yes, I do
DO YOU TRUST ME?
I LOVE YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART
TELL ME THAT YOU LOVE ME
MEL


I FORGIVE YOU
MEL IS...
REALLY A SAINT
MEL'S PURE HEART SAVES ME AGAIN AND AGAIN
Hello
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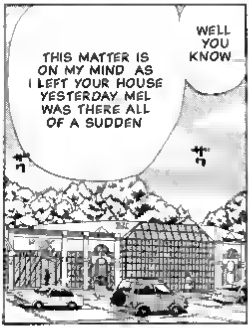

THIS MATTER IS ON MY MIND AS I LEFT YOUR HOUSE YESTERDAY MEL WAS THERE ALL OF A SUDDEN
WELL YOU KNOW...

AND DID YOU GET A LECTURE YESTERDAY?

WELL IN ANY CASE HE WAS ANGRY...
NEXT TOOTH-PASTE
BUT MEL IS SOMEONE WHO ALWAYS FORGIVES ISN'T HE?

PUNISHMENT? REALLY? MEL WAS ANGRY? SERIOUSLY?

GOT MY PUNISH-MENT
WHAT HAPPENED THEN?

DON'T LIE MEL ALWAYS USED THIS ONE
THAT'S NOT IT

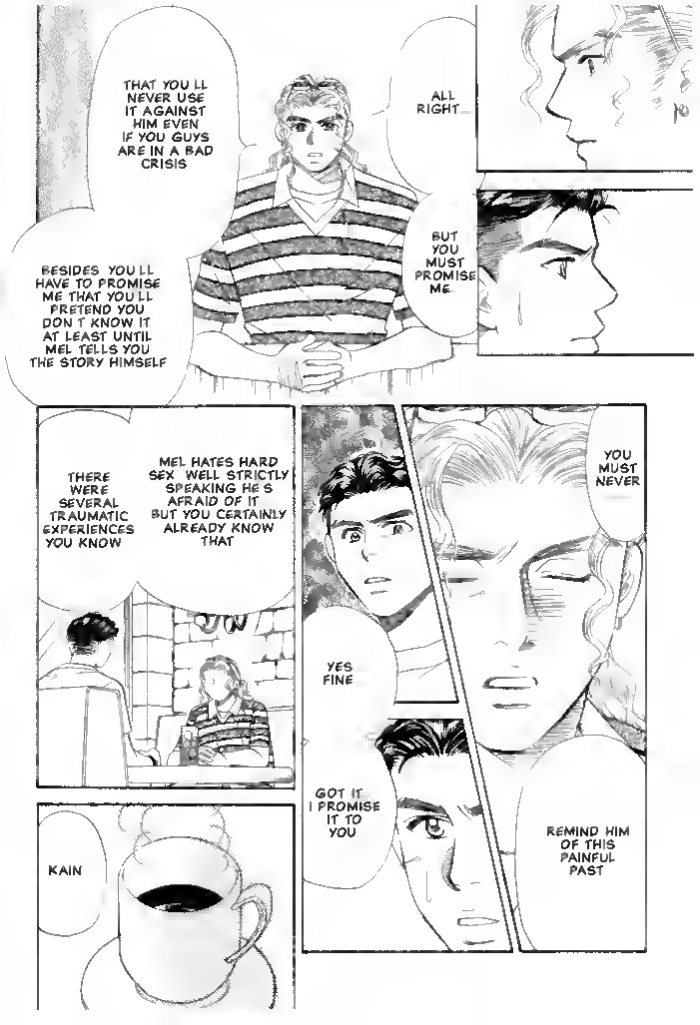
EXACTLY!!

HERE

YOU'RE EXCESSIVELY JEALOUS
SALE!!
I WAS LOOKING FOR THIS ONE HERE!
EH? BUT THAT'S TOOTH WHITENER
I THOUGHT YOU HAD THE SAME ATTITUDE AS ME BUT
EXCESSIVELY?
YOU BETRAY YOUR PARTNER. BUT IF YOUR PARTNER DID THE SAME, YOU'D NEVER FORGIVE HIM. YOU'RE A REAL MACHO
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
YOU'RE MUCH WORSE THAN ME
BUT HE'S JUST NOT THE KIND OF PERSON TO DO SO AT ALL. FOR HIM BETRAYING IS A MORTAL SIN. HE REALLY IS AN UNSPOILED GAY YOU KNOW
I THINK MEL HAS EXACTLY THE SAME RIGHT TO HAVE FUN WITH OTHER MEN
WELL YES
AND YOU'RE DIFFERENT?

WHY DID YOU TWO BREAK UP? WAS IT THE DIFFERENT VIEWS OF LIFE?
FOR ME IT IS A WAY TO KEEP MY RELA-TIONSHIPS FRESH FOR A LONG TIME
AND WELL IN THE END I ALWAYS RETURNED TO MEL
IN SEXUAL MATTERS I ALSO DON'T RESTRICT TO ONE DIRECTION MEANING I AM BISEXUAL
TO BE HONEST I'M NOT SOMEONE WHO CAN TIE DOWN TO A SINGLE PERSON
IF YOU WANT TO KNOW IT FOR SURE ALTHOUGH YOU TWO HAVE BEEN SEPARATED FOR A LONG TIME NOW YOU STILL ARE A FACTOR IN MELS LIFE AND I DON'T LIKE IT AT ALL!!
SORRY BUT THAT'S A PRIVATE MATTER
DO YOU KNOW MELS PAST?
I'D REALLY LIKE TO TELL YOU THE REASON BUT IT'S CONCERNING MELS PAST AFTERALL
BUT NEVER-THELESS PUSHING YOURSELF BETWEEN MEL AND I
OH I SEE

WE ALSO HAD MINOR QUARRELS ALL THE TIME
ANYWAY I REALLY LOVED HIM. BUT MEL CLUNG TO ME JUST TOO MUCH AND BECAME A BURDEN TO ME
IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS OF OUR RELATION-SHIP WE DIDN'T EVEN HAVE SEX ANYMORE
NO NO
YOU MEAN THAT THING ABOUT HIS MOTHER?
IT JUST SLIPPED OUT I SAID "SO WHAT? WHAT CONCERN IS IT OF YOURS IF I SLEEP WITH SOME-ONE ELSE LOOK WHO'S TALKING!"
I NEVER WANTED TO REPROACH HIM FOR THAT BUT
IN WHICH I ALSO BROUGHT UP MEL'S PAST
YES!
DON'T YOU REGRET WHAT YOU TOLD HIM AT THAT TIME?
THEN PLEASE HELP ME SO I WON'T MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE!!
PLEASE LET IT BE. I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO DO SO ANYWAY
YOU WANT TO HEAR IT FROM ME?
JOSH I WANT TO KNOW NOW WHAT HAPPENED IN MEL'S PAST


ALL RIGHT...
BUT YOU MUST PROMISE ME
THAT YOU'LL NEVER USE IT AGAINST HIM EVEN IF YOU GUYS ARE IN A BAD CRISIS
BESIDES YOU'LL HAVE TO PROMISE ME THAT YOU'LL PRETEND YOU DON'T KNOW IT AT LEAST UNTIL MEL TELLS YOU THE STORY HIMSELF
YOU MUST NEVER
REMIND HIM OF THIS PAINFUL PAST
GOT IT I PROMISE IT TO YOU
YES FINE
MEL HATES HARD SEX WELL STRICTLY SPEAKING HE'S AFRAID OF IT BUT YOU CERTAINLY ALREADY KNOW THAT
THERE WERE SEVERAL TRAUMATIC EXPERIENCES YOU KNOW
KAIN

MEL WAS
SEXUALLY ABUSED BY HIS STEP-FATHER
ドクン
THAT'S WHY HE RAN AWAY FROM HOME AT THE AGE OF 17
SINCE THEN MANHATTAN WAS HIS PLACE OF REFUGE WHICH HE COULD REMEMBER WELL FROM CHILDHOOD AFTERALL
HOWEVER AS HE WAS UNDER-AGE THERE WAS NEITHER WORK FOR HIM NOR A PLACE WHERE HE COULD LIVE. THE ONLY THING HE HAS WAS HIS BODY
JESUS CHRIST!!

PROBABLY HE WAS DONE ....
BUT A YOUNG MALE PROSTITUTE
NOT AS A SMART CALL-BOY THOUGH.
MY HEART...
ALMOST THREATENED TO BE TORN APART IN PAIN
HE SOLD HIS BODY YOU SEE?
"I HAVE SOME EXPERIENCE ..."
"I THINK I CAN DO IT ..."
... BY HIS STEPFATHER OR HIS CLIENTS OR EVEN BOTH
CRUEL THINGS TO ...
MY HEAD ACHES ...
A HAPPY END JUST LIKE IN A MOVIE OR NOVEL
THE OPPURTUNITY TO ESCAPE THE MISERY CAME AS HE MET A UNIVERSITY PROFFESOR
WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
"A VERY VERY CHAOTIC TIME IN MY LIFE AND HE'S THE ONE WHO HELPED ME OUT"
"THERE'S BEEN..."

THESE ARE
OF COURSE NOT
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO DESPISE HIM BECAUSE OF THAT ARE YOU?
KAIN
TEARS I SHED FOR MEL
HOW COULD MEL
DESPITE ALL WHAT HE HAD TO EXPERIENCE IN HIS LIFE JUST KEEP HIS PURE HEART AND HIS GENTLENESS ?
"YOU DON'T HAVE PARENTS ANY MORE..."
"YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND THAT"
THAT'S WHAT I TOLD HIM ONCE
I'M GLAD WHEN I SEE
WHAT KIND OF NEW PARTNER MEL FOUND IN YOU

ALTHOUGH MEL WISHED TO HAVE A FAMILY MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD
HOW COULD I SAY SUCH CRUEL THINGS TO HIM?
OPEN
バタン
KAIN?
COOL! THIS REALLY SUITS YOU!
WHY ARE YOU HERE? ARE YOU STILL MAD THAT I HELP OUT HERE BY NIGHT?
NO I JUST WANTED TO SEE THE SHOP
AM I BOTHERING YOU?

WELL THEN- MIX ONE FOR ME! I'D LIKE TO BE YOUR FIRST CUST- OMER
I DO THE BEST I CAN
HM LET'S SEE HAVE YOU ALREADY LEARNED HOW TO MIX COCKTAILS?
WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DRINK? I KNOW YOU HAVE DUTY LATER BUT I SHOULD BE OK RIGHT?
I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE
QUITE THE OPPOS- ITE!
J.B.
IT SEEMS
MEL TALKED ABOUT US QUITE MUCH HERE
HE WANTED TO SEE ME?
HE REALLY WANTS TO MEET YOU
J.B.? THE COOL AND FUNNY ONE?
OK BUT BEFORE THAT I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO J.B.
HI
KAIN!
I MUST SAY
OH YOUR MAN?
HE'S HERE

HOW ARE THINGS?
IM JB
JB
THIS JB IS
iS
WELL ARE YOU A TRANS-VESTITE?
EXCUSE ME?
ARE YOU EXACTLY?
TELL ME WHAT
QUITE THE WAY-OUT TYPE OF GUY
COOL!!
DID I SAY SOME-THING WRONG?
MEL REALLY HAS BAD TASTE!! DID HE CHOOSE YOU AFTER YOUR APPEA-RANCE?
PSH
MR BUTCH QUEEN!!
SHUT UP
ANYWAY YOU DON'T SEEM TO BE TRANS-SEXUAL
OR A DRAG QUEEN?
ARE YOU A CROSS-DRESSER?

ONLY 10 MINUTES OK? YOU CAN WAIT FOR HIM AT THE TABLE OVER THERE
WELL MEL CAN HAVE A 10 MINUTE BREAK
I GUESS IF THEY GET USED TO YOUR CHARACTER, THEY CAN REALLY LIKE YOU AFTER ALL
JUST AS MEL SAID YOU'RE REALLY FUNNY
GEEZ WHAT A JERK HE IS
YOU REALLY MEANT WHAT YOU SAID DIDN'T YOU?!
IT DOESN'T HAVE A NAME YET.
WHAT KIND OF COCKTAIL IS IT? IT HAS A NICE COLOR
I JUST MIXED SOMETHING I THOUGHT WOULD SUIT YOU
HERE YOU ARE
HAHA I'LL CHECK IT
HOW ABOUT "LITTLE KITTY"? IS THERE ALREADY ONE NAMED LIKE THIS?
OK LET'S NAME IT!
AH WHAT SUITS ME? THE BLUE COLOR?

MMM
IT'S DELICIOUS! THANKS MEL!
KAIN
YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL ME RIGHT?
I WAS THINKING A LOT ABOUT IT
IF YOUR NOT READY YET TO BE INTRODUCED TO MY PARENTS WE CAN POSTPONE IT OF COURSE
MEL
DO YOU REALLY THINK SO?
KAIN
I MAY BE TENSE BUT IT WILL PASS
I'M NOT THAT CONVINCED
I TOLD MY PARENTS I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO THEM. I THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD MAKE YOU HAPPY BUT MAYBE I WAS A BIT TOO RASH
I'VE THE IMPRESSION THAT YOU REFUSE TO SEE THEM
WHY SHOULD WE?
I'M READY THE LONGER WE POSTPONE IT THE MORE LIKELY WE'LL LOOSE SIGHT OF THIS AIM

I CAN FEEL HOW MUCH YOU SUFFER FROM IT.
WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF? DON'T YOU WANT TO MEET MY PARENTS?
I'M AFRAID OF IT
WHO NEVER SEEMED TO BE READY TO TAKE THAT STEP
OF COURSE I'D LIKE TO MEET YOUR PARENTS BUT AT THE SAME TIME...
BUT IT WAS YOU
SO AFRAID
MEL ♡
I'M JUST...

...DEFIN-
ATELY
HATE
ME
AND SINCE YOU
TOLD THEM
ABOUT ME,
YOUR PARENTS
HAVE STOPPED
CALLING YOU
RIGHT?
YOU ARE
THEIR SON
THEY LOVE
MORE THAN
ANYTHING
ELSE
THEY
Puncture
AND
FORMED
ONE CLEAR
AND DEFINATE
PICTURE
SUDDENLY
ALL THE PIECES
OF THE PUZZLE
FIT TOGETHER
PERFECTLY

EVEN BEFORE OUR DEPARTURE
OF NOTHING IN PARTICULAR AS MEL WANTED TO LOOK FOR A JOB...
I THOUGHT...
YOUR PARENTS WILL SEE ME AS THE VILLAIN WHO TURNED THEIR SON'S LIFE UPSIDE DOWN COMPLETELY
THEY WON'T ACCEPT ME
AND WHY HE NEEDS MY SUPPORT FOR ALL THAT...
I PROMISE YOU...
MEL
I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY HE WANTED ME TO LOOK STRAIGHT INTO HIS FACE AND DECLARE MY LOVE...
WHATEVER MAY HAPPEN
I WILL PROTECT YOU

IT MAKES ME HAPPY
OR IS MY SUPPORT NOT ENOUGH?
NO IT'S ENOUGH FOR ME
FINE!
LET'S PRAY THEN
DEAR GOD
PLEASE GIVE US BOTH COURAGE AND STRENGTH TO DO THE RIGHT THING FOR OUR FUTURE
PLEASE OPEN US THE WAY IN THIS FUTURE
AND GIVE MY MOTHER AND FATHER BOUNDLESS LOVE AND UNDER-STANDING

ADA, I'M HOME
ADA?
BOUND-LESS/ INFINITE LOVE...
I THOUGHT YOU WEREN T HERE BECAUSE YOU DIDN T ANSWER
IT S ONE WEEK UNTIL KAIN AND HIS FRIEND COMES
WHAT TIME WILL THEY BE HERE?
GEORGE HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO BEHAVE TOWARDS KAIN S FRIEND ?

I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT...
I ALWAYS DREAMT OF HOLDING KAIN'S CHILDREN IN MY ARMS ONCE
ADA ADA
I ALSO DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD THINK OF IT
BUT WHAT I KNOW FOR SURE IS...
THAT WE LOVE OUR SON FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS...
AND THIS SON WILL COME BACK HOME...
YES
YES
YOU'RE RIGHT

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CHAPTER NOTES:
LET ME JUST SAY FOR THE SAKE OF SAYING IT THAT I *REALLY* HATE EDITING NYNY. WITH THAT I WANT TO WELCOME A NEW SCANNER WE HAVE, OAME! THEY WILL BE SCANNING THE REST OF NYNY FOR US ^_^
ALSO, WE HAVE MOVED FROM OUR PREVIOUS WEB ADDRESS. OUR NEW SITE IS LOCATED AT WWW.DESPERATE-LOVE.NET. IT IS A DIVISION OF WWW.SAPPHIRUS.NET (YES I WENT ON A DOMAIN NAME FRENZY THERE). ANYWAY, YOU CAN REACH THE SCANLATIONS SITE FROM EITHER OF THOSE ADDYS. THANKS AND I HOPE YOU ENJOY THIS CHAPTER! ^_^ AND KAIN IS STILL AN ASS.

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CHAPTER NOTES:
YAY! NEXT PART OF CHAPTER 3! BET YA ALL WERE HATING ME FOR WHERE I LEFT OFF THE FIRST PART AT XD SORRY. ANYWAY, A LITTLE NEWS. OUR RELEASES WILL NOW BE IRC ONLY. YOU WILL STILL BE ABLE TO GET THEM VIA STREAMLOAD IF YOU HAVE AN ACCT. THAT'S ALL! ENJOY!